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Filing Date	May 30, 2001
First Named Inventor	Wilhelm Martin Plotz et al.
Art Unit	2633
Examiner Name	C. Y. Leung
Attorney Docket Number	112740-641

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Docket No.  
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In Re Application Of: **Wilhelm Martin Plotz et al.**

Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Customer No.	Group Art Unit	Confirmation No.
09/807,351	May 30, 2001	C.Y. Leung	29177	2633	6281

Title: **OPTICAL UNIDIRECTIONAL RING NETWORK**

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